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**CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8:** 

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop MISSING PARTS, P.O. Box 1450,

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on December 21, 2004.

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop MISSING PARTS Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a four-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed June 23, 2004, said period of response being extended from August 23, 2004 to December 23, 2004.

Our check in the amount of \$795.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted

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